

## SCHOHARIE COUNTY CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION

Class Title: **DIRECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES I**

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Jurisdictional Class: **Competitive**  
Date Adopted: **3/22/82**  
Date Revised: **02/21/03**  
Jurisdictions: **County**  
Union Status: **Exempt**  
Pay Grade:

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**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** The Director of Weights and Measures I is employed in a civil division with less than 1300 weighing and measuring devices or “inspection” and/or “sealing” duties. This class is responsible for administering and enforcing the provisions of Agriculture and Markets Law, Rules and Regulations as they relate to weights and measures and performs other duties as directed by the local governing body which may include services designed to aid and protect consumers. The incumbent will take charge of and safely keep the municipal standards as prescribed by statute, and maintain a complete record of work performed. The incumbent will have access to all places of business, buildings or premises to inspect, test and ascertain if weights and measurers, weighing and measuring devices and systems and accessories are correct and being used correctly. Incumbent will also be responsible for performing duties related to solid waste disposal. The Director may supervise part-time or seasonal assistants as assigned. Although employed by the local legislative body, the Director is subject to the direction and supervision of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets, and his/her authorized representatives. The Director will perform related duties as required.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

Visits stores, markets, warehouses, wholesale houses, gas stations and other establishments to test and verify the accuracy of weighing and measuring devices;  
Using standard weights and measures determines the accuracy of scales, meters, rulers and other measuring devices;  
Using calibrated containers, tests fluid measuring devices such as service station gasoline pumps;  
Solicits for solid waste markets and administers contracts and operating agreements;  
Inspects and samples petroleum products from retail and wholesale purchaser-consumer establishments as directed by the Commissioner;  
Using standard weights, checks for accuracy of meat, produce and platform scales;  
Seals those pumps, metering devices and scales when found to be accurate within the allowable tolerances;  
Orders faulty measuring and weighing devices repaired or replaced depending on the condition and reparability of the devices;  
Responds to consumer complaints by investigation or testing as the occasion demands;  
Examines and checks the contents of pre-packaged foods to determine the accuracy of labeling practices;  
Removes, or orders removed from sale those products not meeting the volume, weight or count as declared on the package label;  
May be required to testify in court in consumer fraud litigation;  
Submits narrative reports of inspections, violations and ordered repairs as required by regulations;  
Maintains schedule for hauling and disposal of metal and recyclables; reviews related invoices for accuracy and submits to county auditor for payment;  
Maintains solid waste and recycling information and statistics and prepares required tables or reports;

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Makes visits to recycling sites to ensure compliance and check equipment and locks for repair and maintenance;

Prepares a variety of records and reports as required;

May supervise and direct the work of part-time or seasonal inspectors.

#### **FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL**

**CHARACTERISTICS:** Good knowledge of Laws, Rules and Regulations governing Weights and Measures programs; good knowledge of practices and procedures used to inspect, test and ascertain if weighing and measuring devices and systems are correct or being used correctly; good knowledge of investigative techniques; skill in inspecting and testing weighing and measuring devices and systems; ability to read and interpret complex written material, state laws and departmental regulations pertaining to consumer protection; mechanical aptitude and the ability to understand complex mechanical equipment, its construction, repair and adjustments; ability to quickly and accurately make mathematical calculations; ability to write narrative reports that are clear and concise; ability to work in outdoor environments in all seasons; ability to manipulate standards and test equipment requiring fine motor skills; ability to manipulate objects weighing 50 pounds.

#### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

- (A) Satisfactory completion of 24 semester credit hours in the physical sciences\*, engineering sciences, electronics sciences\*\*, mechanical technology and/or mathematics\*\*\* from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university; **OR**
- (B) Two (2) years full time experience where the primary functions/responsibilities include any one of the following:
  - 1) Enforcing weights and measures laws and regulations and inspecting and testing of devices and packaged commodities;
  - 2) Inspecting, testing and repairing commercial and/or industrial weighing and/or measuring devices per manufacturer's specifications and tolerances;
  - 3) Inspecting and testing both quality and quantity of packaged or manufactured goods using precision scales/balances and other precision measuring equipment, performing data reduction, and assessing compliance of the results with appropriate specifications and tolerances;
  - 4) Conducting chemical or physical analyses using precision scales/balances and other precision measuring equipment, performing data reduction, and assessing compliance of results with the appropriate specifications and tolerances; **OR**
- (C) An equivalent combination of training and experience as defined within the limits of (A) and (B).

\*Physical sciences include chemistry (inorganic chemistry, organic chemistry, biochemistry), earth sciences (meteorology, astronomy, geology) and physics.

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\*\*Electronics sciences do not include course work in electricity; electricity is a science that deals with the laws of electricity, while electronics is a branch of physics that deals with the emission, behavior, and effects of electrons (in tubes and transistors) and with electronic devices.

\*\*\*Mathematics includes course work in accounting, economics, etc., provided primary focus of the course is manipulation of numbers.

**NOTE:** Verifiable part-time experience may be pro-rated toward meeting full-time experience requirements on the following basis: 8-15 hours per week is  $\frac{1}{4}$  time; 16-23 hours per week is  $\frac{1}{2}$  time; 24-31 hours per week is  $\frac{3}{4}$  time; 32+ hours per week is full time.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR APPOINTMENT AND CONTINUED EMPLOY-**

**MENT:** This class requires extensive travel. Incumbent will be required to possess a valid, appropriate level New York State Motor Vehicle Operator's License or otherwise demonstrate a capacity to meet the transportation needs of the class to perform fieldwork responsibilities.